UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY (973) 776-7700

CHAMBERS OF

JAMES B. CLARK, III

UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

U.S. COURTHOUSE 50 WALNUT ST. ROOM 2060 NEWARK, NJ 07102

August 24, 2022

LETTER ORDER

Re: Rickman, et al. v. BMW of North America LLC, et al. Civil Action No. 18-4363 (EP)

Dear Counsel,

As discussed during the telephone conference held in this matter earlier today, and for the reasons set forth on the record, the Court orders as follows:

- 1) With respect to the issues raised in the parties' letters to the Court [Dkt. Nos. 190, 191, 192, 193, 196, 197], the Court orders the following:
 - a. 190 & 191:
 - i. Identification of Testing Protocols: Plaintiffs shall respond to the BMW Defendants' Request for Production No. 62. The BMW Defendants' request for an *in camera* review is withdrawn without prejudice pending Plaintiffs' forthcoming response.
 - ii. Post-Complaint Communications with Government Agencies: Plaintiffs shall respond to the BMW Defendants' Request for Production No. 71 with appropriate redactions.
 - b. 192 & 193: The parties are directed to continue to meet and confer regarding a protocol for Plaintiffs' depositions.

c. 196 & 197: Plaintiffs' counsel shall attempt to contact the Plaintiffs who have not participated in discovery and shall advise the Court as to their attempts by no later than <u>September 30, 2022</u>.

2) The Court will conduct a telephone status conference with the parties on <u>December 13</u>, <u>2022 at 2:00 PM</u>. Counsel for the BMW Defendants shall initiate the call.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

s/ James B. Clark, III

JAMES B. CLARK, III

United States Magistrate Judge